

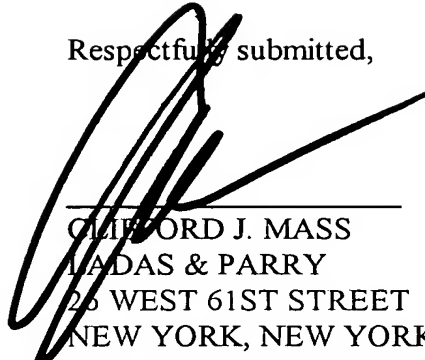
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It is requested that the above amendatory action be taken prior to an examination of this application on the merits. The new claims contain recitations that correspond with recitations in original Claims 1-22.

It is noted that Claims 50 and 58 denote the percentages of the recited components as “weight percentages” or “volume percentages” in accordance with the disclosure in the specification on page 4, at the bottom of paragraph “0016”. This disclosure was added in this continuing application to expressly state what was inherent in the parent application as filed. In particular, it would have been clear to those of skill in the art from the disclosure in the parent application as filed that, except for the gaseous components, the described percentages are “weight percentages”. This would have been clear, for example, from the fact that reproduction of the experimentation in the working examples beginning on page 7 would only duplicate the results if the solid components were weight percentages and the gaseous components were volume percentages. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that, as compared with the parent application, the present application does not contain any “new matter”.

An early and favorable examination of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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